GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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UNDP ASSISTANCE FOR AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Agriculture Extension Scheme are being implemented for promoting agricultural development and providing farmers with information and training with the help of UNDP;

(b) if so, the details thereof and number of schemes at present being implemented under this programme;

(c) the total foreign aid received by the Government under UNDP and National Agricultural Technology Project (NATP);

(d) the number of States where these schemes are being implemented at present; and

(e) the total funds allocated to States under these schemes during the last three years, year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The following six sub-programmes are currently being implemented with UNDP assistance.

- Development and large scale adoption of hybrid rice by ICAR
- Maize-based cropping system for Food Security in India.
- Empowerment of women farmers for Food Security in Uttar Pradesh
- Sustainable Dryland Agriculture by Mahila Sangham, Andhra Pradesh.
- Strengthening Sustainable Livelihoods and Natural Resource Management for women of tribal Orissa and supplementary sub-programme on additional support to cyclone affected districts of Orissa.
- Management Support to Food Security Programmes.

(c) Total foreign aid received by the Government so far under United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and National Agricultural Technology Project (N.A.T.P.) is Rs. 14.64 crores and Rs. 192.54 crores respectively.

(d) States where agricultural extension schemes are being implemented at present are

i) UNDP - Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Orissa, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and all rice growing States.
ii) N.A.T.P

? Seven States namely Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Himachal Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa and Punjab under Innovations in Technology Dissemination (ITD) Component operated by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation.

? 22 States viz.Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhatisgarh, Delhi, Gujrat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Kerala, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil

Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal and the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands under the ITD Component operated by Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR).

(e) As given in Annex.

ANNEX

TOTAL FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THE STATES ON AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SCHEMES UNDER UNDP AND N.A.T.P DURING LAST 3 YEARS

(Rs. in Crores)

Name of the Project	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001	Total
UNDP	-	6.42	8.22	14.64
NATP				
a) ITD Component-DAC	2.08	6.55	9.66	18.29
b) ITD Component-ICAR	3.36	15.66	16.14	35.16
	5.44	28.63	34.02	68.09